SGCN and Habitat Stressors

Level 1 Threat Biological Resource Use

Level 2 Threat: Hunting and Collecting Terrestrial Animals

Description: Killing or trapping terrestrial wild animals or animal products for commercial, recreation, subsistence, research

or cultural purposes, or for control/persecution reasons; includes accidental mortality/bycatch

Species Associated With This Stressor:

Total SGCN: 1:

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SGCN Category

1

Class Aves (Birds)

Species: Bucephala islandica (Barrow's Goldeneye)

Severity: Moderate Severity

Actionability: Moderately actionable

Notes: Misidentification by hunters

Species: Aquila chrysaetos (Golden Eagle)

2

Severity: Moderate Severity

Actionability: Moderately actionable

Notes: Exposure to carcasses laced with poisons for other predators (e.g., coyotes). Lead poisoning from

ingestion of spent lead ammunition in hunter-shot game. Incidental captures in leg-hold traps and

snares set for mammals.

Species: Ardea herodias (Great Blue Heron)

2

Severity: Moderate Severity

Actionability: Moderately actionable

Notes: Beaver flowages are prime nesting habitat; by removing beavers completely from individual wetlands,

contribute to nesting habitat loss and the need to relocate colony.

Species: Aythya marila (Greater Scaup)

Class

2

Insecta (Insects)

Actionability: Highly actionable

SGCN Category 1

Species: Cicindela marginipennis (Cobblestone Tiger Beetle)

Severity: Moderate Severity Actionability: Moderately actionable

Notes: Collection pressure on rare tiger beetles can be a problem, especially when distrubution is extremely

Severity: Moderate Severity

Species: Boloria frigga saga (Frigga Fritillary)

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Severity: Moderate Severity

Actionability: Moderately actionable

Notes: Potential pressure by rare butterfly collectors; population level impacts likely negligible unless collecting

is intense

Class Reptilia (Reptiles) **SGCN Category**

Species: *Terrapene carolina carolina* (Eastern Box Turtle)

2

Severity: Moderate Severity

Actionability: Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Vulnerable to incidental collection

Species: Coluber constrictor constrictor (Northern Black Racer)

Severity: Moderate Severity

Actionability: Moderately actionable

Notes: Intentional killing is a threat to many snakes but large species such as this are most often the target in

opportune killiings

No Habitats Currently Assigned To This Stressor.

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